

**Anxiety, Mood, and Addiction Research Collaborative (AMARC)**  
Undergraduate Research Assistant Application

The AMARC is multi-disciplinary and patient-oriented, and crosses both UIC and the VA and aims to discover the behavioral and brain mechanisms that implement the regulation of affect and motivational salience in humans. Specific projects focus on problems with anxiety, mood, and addiction using Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and SSRI treatments, magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI, DTI, sMRI, TDCS), electroencephalography (EEG) of event-related potentials (ERP), and psychophysiology as predominant tools to assess brain circuit function as they relate to emotion, affect regulation, addiction, and motivation.

**BASIC INFORMATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred method of contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Major (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Minor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Major GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you taken Research Methods? Y / N If yes, what was your grade? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in using this for course credit? Y / N If yes, what course? \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Research assistant duties may include: data entry, database management, and participant recruitment and screening. Advanced research assistants might have opportunities to be involved in the process of planning, implementing, and presenting research projects (e.g., Capstone projects) and have the opportunity to receive course credit for your work in the lab. We also have journal clubs and sessions focused on professional development, related research, and getting into graduate school.

**Please answer the following questions (you may use additional sheets of paper if needed):**

1. Why do you want to be in this research lab? What aspects of our lab are you most interested in?
2. How do you think you would contribute to the lab?
3. Do you have any previous research experience? If so, please list and provide references.
4. If you have already declared a major, tell us what your major is and why you chose it. If you have not yet declared a major, tell us which fields you are considering and what factors could play a role in your final decision.
5. What are your greatest strengths as a student?
6. What are your greatest weaknesses as a student?
7. What are your professional goals? Do you plan to pursue graduate school? Why/why not?
8. We typically request that students work for at least 10 hours per week. How many hours are you willing and able to devote to working in the lab per week?
9. Are you willing to commit to working in the MADRP for at least 2 years? Please specify how many consecutive semesters you plan on committing to volunteer.
10. Please indicate the tentative hours in which you are available to work as a research assistant next semester.  
Mondays:  
Tuesdays:  
Wednesdays:  
Thursdays:  
Fridays:
11. Please provide any additional information that you believe is important to your application.

**Please return this application, along with a resume/curriculum vitae and references to Alyssa Frederick ([frederac@uic.edu](mailto:frederac@uic.edu)). We will contact potential research assistants for interviews.**